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AMENDMENTS IN THE CLAIMS:

(Currently Amended) A fixing device for producing an anchoring in an undercut drilled hole in a panel, having:

an anchor bolt which has comprising fixing means for fixing the panel to a supporting structure, and an anchoring zone having a portion that widens in crosssection in the a direction of insertion and in correspondence with an undercut portion of the undercut drilled hole, comprising

wherein the anchor bolt has in the region of the anchoring zone a covering of a resilient plastics material, and the anchor bolt is anchored within the undercut portion by means of a curable composition, and the covering of resilient plastics material provides increased flexibility of movement of the anchor bolt within the undercut portion in response to transverse forces.

- (Currently Amended) A fixing device according to claim 1, wherein the <u>a</u> smallest outer diameter of the covering is smaller <u>in diameter</u> than the portion <u>of</u> the <u>anchoring zone that widens in cross-section</u> of widened cross-section of the anchor holf.
- 3. (Previously Presented) A fixing device according to claim 1, wherein the covering comprises a silicone-containing plastics material.
- 4. (Previously Presented) A fixing device according to claim 1, wherein the covering consists of a silicone-containing plastics material.